

Harwood
CH-132
Port Tobacco vic.
Private

Circa 1850

Located on the west side of Simms Landing Road, Harwood consists of a typical antebellum 2-part telescoping plan dwelling with a two story, three bay, double-pile, side-passage main block. The dwelling faces south and includes a pair of exterior-end brick chimneys with stepped shoulders and watertable on the east elevation. Originally constructed with a Greek Revival-inspired influences, the dwelling was completely gutted in 1970 and restored in a Colonial-Revival style.

The existing structure has been attributed to Walter Hanson, who was instrumental in local politics during the American Revolution. While clearly the property was owned by the Hanson family during the 18th century, existing architectural evidence and land records suggest a construction date of the mid 19th century when the land was in the possession of Walter Robertson. In 1857 executors of Walter H Robertson's estate sold "Harwood" to Richard Barnes, Jr. Who retained possession until the turn of the 20th century.

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CH-132

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Harwood

other

2. Location

street and number 7911 Harwood Lane not for publication

city, town Port Tobacco vicinity

county Charles

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name George and Elsie Piyck

street and number PO Box 1404 telephone 202-512-6854

city, town Port Tobacco state MD zip code 20677

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Charles County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 43 p.142

city, town La Plata liber 474 folio 74

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report
☐ Other

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			1

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Harwood is located on the west side of Port Tobacco Creek in western Charles County at the corner of Simms Landing Road and Harwood Drive. The dwelling consists of a 2-part telescoping plan with a two-story, three-bay, double-pile, side-passage main block. A contemporary brick foundation shed has recently been erected on the site.

The dwelling faces south and includes a pair of exterior-end brick chimneys with stepped shoulders and watertable on the east elevation. The main block is frame, resting on a brick pier with brick curtain foundation. The dwelling was completely gutted in 1970 and restored in a Colonial-Revival style. Surviving details include a number of classic Greek Revival features found in Charles County examples including an original turned newel and curved handrail at the first-floor stair landing, and vertical stair paneling similar to that found at Eutah (CH-79) as well as other. Original double-parlor doors and raised paneling under the windows on the first floor are also intact. All interior doors are four-panel with applied molding. A kitchen wing was recently erected on the west elevation.

The dwelling is currently sheathed in vinyl and the roof is covered in pressed aluminum intended to resemble cedar shake. Windows throughout are 6/6 wood replacement. The front elevation main block includes three second story windows above two first floor windows and the entrance door. The entrance is lighted by a transom and is sheltered by a 20th century front gable porch that mirrors a second porch found on the dependency. The east elevation includes two 6/6 attic story windows. The rear elevation includes three second story windows above a rear shed addition that spans the length of the main block and dependency. The middle portion is two stories and two bays in length with an interior chimney on the west elevation.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Specific dates 1857

Architect/Builder Unknown

Construction dates 1857

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

Harwood was first identified by J. Richard Rivoire in the 1970's. The existing structure has been attributed to Walter Hanson, who was instrumental in local politics during the American Revolution. While owned by the Hanson family during the 18th century, existing architectural evidence and land records research indicate the current structure was probably built around 1850 for members of the Robertson family. Despite an extensive renovation that replaced most of the interior finishes in the 1970's, Harwood is typical of the side-passage telescoping-plan common in Charles County until the eve of the Civil War.

In 1857 Kitty Robertson, Catherine Brawner, Alexander W. Robertson executors of Walter H Robertson's estate sold "Harwood" to Richard Barnes, Jr. In 1898 Richard Barnes sold the property to J. Samuel Turner for \$1250. Turner resold the property to Luther C. Hicks and Clarrissa Hicks for \$4,000 in 1914. In the 1960's the property was subdivided into the current Penn Manor and the house was extensively restored.

The current and previous owners have conducted significant research on the early history of the property associated with Harwood. According to land records assembled by the Hindle's and Piyck's, the surrounding property was first patented in 1726 to William Haskins. In the 1740's, the farm consisted of 1266 acres owned by Walter Hanson. Hoskens Hanson conveyed the property to Samuel Hanson in 1795 (Liber N 4/381), who in turn conveyed to Sarah Douglass Penn, Richard Thompson Hanson and Catherine Hanson in 1800 (Liber JB 3/212/ 247/ 345). In 1808, Richard Thompson Hanson conveyed his portion to Catherine Hanson (JB 8/83).

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 3.03

Acreage of historical setting unknown

Quadrangle name Mathias Point

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Harwood is associated with Charles County Property Tax Map 43, Parcel 142, Lot 6.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Cathy Hardy/Historic Preservation Planner

organization Charles County Planning

date 4/4/2003

street and number 200 Baltimore Street

telephone 301-396-5815

city or town La Plata

state MD zip code 20646

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville MD 21032
410-514-7600

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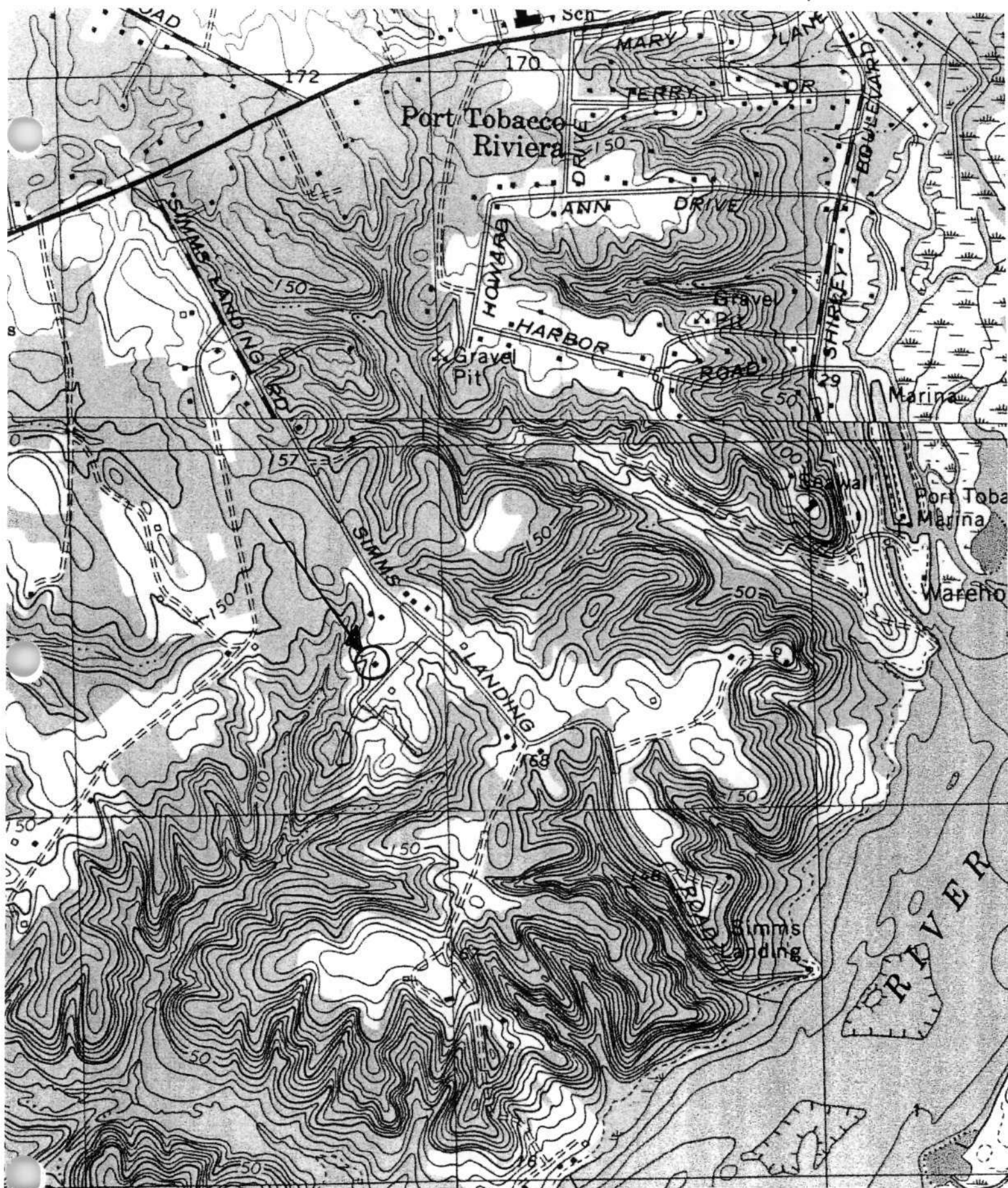
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Harwood
name of property
Charles County, MD
county and state

Chain of Title:

- 1968 Columbia Mortgage Company to William Earl Hindle and Jacqueline Hindle. Lots 6, 7, and 8 of Penn Manor.
199/278
- 1968 Protective Covenants of Penn Manor.
193/71
- 1967 Beatrice Leonard and George Leonard; Ruth C. Norris and James L. Norris; Helen Hindle and Raymond Hindle; Elsie Head and Donald Head; James Hicks and Ethel Hicks; Lillian Goldsmith and Thomas Goldsmith; Luther Hicks Jr. and Estelle Hicks; George Hicks and Dorothy Hicks to Columbia Mortgage Company
191/270
- 1955 Will of Luther C. Hicks.
76/488
- 1914 J. Samuel Turner and Melvina Turner to Luther C. Hicks and Clarrissa Hicks \$4,000.
27/658
- 1898 Richard Barnes to J. Samuel Turner \$1250.
BGS 9/27
- 1898 George Robertson and Bessie Robertson; Elizabeth Ford and Samuel Ford to J. Samuel Turner \$500.
BGS 9/69
- 1878 Richard Barnes and Mary Barnes to William Henry Day \$45.
BGS 3/369
- 1874 Richard Barnes Jr. and Mary E. Barnes, his wife, to Alexander Simmes and Thomas Simmes.
GAH 4/249
- 1864 By and between Richard Barnes Jr. and Mary E. Barnes, his wife.
GWC 1/395
- 1857 Richard Barnes to Mary Elizabeth Key.
JS 2/207
- 1857 Kitty Robertson, Catherine Brawner, Alexander W. Robertson (executors of Walter H Robertson) to Richard Barnes, Jr.
JS 2/109



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Name: HARWOOD
Location: PORT TOBACCO VIL.
Quad: MATHIAS POINT



CH-132
Horwood
Charles Co, MD
812002
C. Hardy
MD SHPO
SOUTH ELEVATION 10F5



CH-132
Harwood
Charles Co, MD
8/2002
C. Hardy
MD SHPO
NORTH ELEVATION 20FS



CH-132
Horwood
Charles Co, MD
812002
C. Hardy
MD SHPO
STAIR, LOOKING N
\$30.5



CH-132
Harwood
Charles Co. MD

8/2002

C. Hardy

MD SHPO

DOUBLE PARLOR, LOOKING S 40FS



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Harwood
Charles Co, MD
812002
C. Hardy
MD SHPO
MANTEL, SOUTH PARLOR 50x5

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME			
COMMON: "HARWOOD"			
AND/OR HISTORIC:			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: SIMMS LANDING ROAD			
CITY OR TOWN: PORT TOBACCO			
STATE: MARYLAND	CODE:	COUNTY: CHARLES	CODE:
3. CLASSIFICATION			
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC			
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY			
OWNERS NAME: EARL HINDLE			
STREET AND NUMBER: "HARWOOD" - SIMMS LANDING ROAD			
CITY OR TOWN: PORT TOBACCO	STATE: MD.	CODE:	STATE:
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: CHARLES COUNTY COURTHOUSE			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: LAPLATA	STATE: MARYLAND	CODE:	COUNTY:
APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:			
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS			
TITLE OF SURVEY:			
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/>			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE:	ENTRY NUMBER
			DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

FROM RIGHT SIDE (W) OF SINMS LANDING ROAD
MD. RTE. #6.

TELESCOPIC IN OVERALL DESIGN WITH THE
MAIN BLOCK AT THE EAST END THE HOUSE
RETAINS 2 double fire chimneys with free
STANDING STACKS AT THE EAST GABLE OF THE
MAIN BLOCK; THIS PART IS 3 BAYS IN LENGTH
WITH THE MAIN HALL RUNNING THE ~~WIDTH~~ ^{depth} OF
THE W END.

THE MIDDLE PORTION IS TWO STOREYS
AND 2 BAYS IN LENGTH, THERE IS A
INTERIOR CHIMNEY AT THE W GABLE END
WHICH APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN ~~REPAIRED~~ RE-
PAIRED. THE 3 RD. PART APPEARS RELATIVELY
RECENT, IS OF 1 ROOM AND APPARENTLY IS
USED AS A MODERN KITCHEN.

THE ROOF ~~PL~~ PLAN IS "A" WITH THE
RIDGE RUNNING E to W. THERE IS A VISABLE
LACK OF ORNAMENTATION THE EAVE CORNICES
BEING PLAIN AND BOXED. A TWO LITE TRANSOME
IS ABOVE THE FRONT DOOR AND THE WINDOWS
ARE 6/6 PANES.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☒ 20th Century ☐
 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☐ 19th Century ☒

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric	Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Phi-		Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	losophy	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Agriculture	Invention	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Art	Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Commerce	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human-			
Communications	Literature	<input type="checkbox"/>	itarian	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Conservation	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Theater	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>		

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

"HARWOOD" IS REPUTED TO ~~BE~~ HAVE BEEN THE HOME OF WALTER HANSON A CHIEF JUDGE OF THE CHAS. CO. COURT IN THE MID. 18TH. CENTURY. WALTER WAS THE SON OF SAMUEL HANSON, AN EARLY 18TH. CENTURY PATRIOT, WALTER WAS ALSO THE BROTHER OF JOHN HANSON, 1ST. PRES. OF THE U.S. UNDER THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION.

THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE HOUSE HOWEVER, POINTS TO A LATER PERIOD THAN THE DATES OF WALTER HANSON THOUGH IT IS POSSIBLE HE LIVED HERE DURING HIS LAST FEW YEARS.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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CHAS. CO. HIST. SOCIETY

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE			
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE	
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	
NW	0	'	"		0	'	"	
NE	0	'	"		0	'	"	
SE	0	'	"		0	'	"	
SW	0	'	"		0	'	"	

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: <i>J.R. Rivoire</i>		
ORGANIZATION <i>Md. Hist. Society TRUST</i>	DATE	
STREET AND NUMBER:		
CITY OR TOWN: <i>Annapolis</i>	STATE <i>Maryland</i>	CODE

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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